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5. [] Talked with Clark McFadden, General Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, about the Senate action today on the Proxmire amendment (No. 1368). He said that the amendment was adopted by the Senate with all the modifications proposed by Chairman Stennis except the third one permitting activities in the U.S. necessary to support foreign intelligence responsibilities. McFadden said that Senator Proxmire was adamant in refusing to accept the inclusion of this item and Stennis decided not to press the issue since he felt we were sufficiently covered in Section 5 which authorizes performance of such functions and duties related to foreign intelligence which are specifically directed by the National Security Council and reported to the Congress.

McFadden said that it had been agreed there would be three hours of debate on Proxmire's other amendment No. 1369 requiring the submission of an annual budget figure for the National Intelligence Programs. He said it was his understanding that Proxmire proposed to assert that both Dr. Schlesinger and Mr. Colby had indicated they had no security objection to the disclosure of this figure. McFadden said he would appreciate any material we could give him for use in the floor debate tomorrow. A number of speeches and background papers were prepared for transmittal to McFadden first thing tomorrow morning.

6. [] On referral from [] General Counsel, National Security Agency, called Ed Kenney, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, who wanted to have guidance on handling the Proxmire amendments to the Procurement Authorization bill for use with Senator Thurmond. I outlined our points on the public report of the National Intelligence Program budget and gave him the background on the other amendments indicating that we had sent a position paper to the Committee earlier this morning. Kenney said we are "one happy family" but that information sent to the Committee normally is controlled by "one man" and that if we expect support from the Minority side we ought to be thinking of them too. I explained that I had not appreciated that it works this way within the Committee and in response to his request I said we could get him down a position paper and within the next half-hour I met with him off the chamber, gave him our position paper making it clear it was a duplicate of what had been provided McFadden early in the morning and answered a number of his questions. Kenney said that as far as Thurmond is concerned, he would just as soon dispense with the Proxmire amendments this afternoon and that generally Thurmond disagreed with Stennis, was not disposed to accept any of the amendments on the basis that amendments to the National Security Act of 1947 should be the product of careful deliberation through the normal hearing process and should not be appended to the Procurement Authorization bill.

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25X1 7. [REDACTED] Met briefly with Ed Braswell and Clark McFadden, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, explaining what had transpired with Ed Kenney, of the Committee staff, and asked if they would like me to stick around against the possibility that the Proxmire amendments would move this afternoon. McFadden said that the position paper we had sent down squarely met all of the points effectively and headon and he gave me the impression that Senator Stennis was in full agreement. He said they had all they needed from us at this time and on that basis, said I would return to Headquarters.

25X1 I told Braswell that Stanley Fike, Administrative Assistant to Senator
25X1 Stuart Symington (D., Mo.), wanted to set up a meeting between Braswell,
25X1 himself, and me to discuss a personnel case [REDACTED] I made it clear
this was Fike's idea and Braswell said he would get to it as soon as he can.

I told Braswell we were in need of a decision soon on [REDACTED]
for Laos and asked him if he had any problem with the proposal indicating
that if he did not maybe we would have no alternative but to go ahead. Braswell
said he didn't see any problems but stressed that he had not yet had time to
speak with the Chairman about it.

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